

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Michitaka OHTAKI**

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For: **POROUS THERMOELECTRIC MATERIAL AND PROCESS FOR  
PRODUCING THE SAME**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.